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- 1. DEPARTMENT APPRECIATES AND COMMENDS CONGEN'S APPARENTLY SUCCESSFUL EFFORTS TO FOCUS HKG ATTENTION ON CONFLICT BETWEEN HK AND UK INTERESTS.
- 2. DEPARTMENT AGREES WITH CONGEN ASSESSMENT THIS WOULD BE GOOD TIME TO TIGHTEN SCREW. HOWEVER, ACTION WITH RESPECT TO GSP DOES NOT APPEAR TO ACCOMPLISH THIS. FIRST, THERE IS GENERAL POLICY AGAINST USING GSP FOR THIS PURPOSE. AS PRACTICAL MATTER, HOWEVER, REMOVAL OF SPECIFIC PRODUCT CONFIDENTIAL

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FROM GSP LIST WOULD NOT ACCOMPLISH SCREW TIGHTENING PURPOSE. SUCH REMOVAL WOULD PROBABLY BENEFIT HK IF PRODUCT IS MAJOR EXPORT (PRODUCT WOULD BE REMOVED FROM LIST FOR ALL COUNTRIES) OR WOULD HAVE NO EFFECT IF PRODUCT IS MINOR.

3. WOULD APPRECIATE FURTHER CONGEN RECOMMENDATIONS CONCERNING ALTERNATIVE ECONOMIC PRESSURE WHICH MIGHT BE

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